



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND TOURISM

REP. STEVE MARINO

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

9:00 AM

Room 327, House Office Building

The House Committee on Commerce and Tourism was called to order by Chair Marino.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Marino, Roth, Farrington, Wakeman, Wendzel, Martin, Cambensy, Cherry, Manoogian, Liberati.

Absent: Rep. Whitsett.

Excused: Rep. Whitsett.

Representative Farrington moved to adopt the meeting minutes from May 4, 2021. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4729, HB 4730, HB 4731 and HB 4732 before the committee:

HB 4729 (Rep. Cherry)

A bill to amend 1875 PA 54, entitled "An act to facilitate the inspection and reproduction of the records and files in the offices of the registers of deeds," by amending section 1 (MCL 565.551), as amended by 2007 PA 58.

HB 4730 (Rep. Calley)

A bill to amend 1895 PA 161, entitled "An act to require county treasurers to furnish transcripts and abstracts of records, and fixing the fees to be paid therefor," by amending section 1 (MCL 48.101), as amended by 2015 PA 39.

HB 4731 (Rep. Manoogian)

A bill to amend 1996 PA 462, entitled "Enhanced access to public records act," by amending section 3 (MCL 15.443), as amended by 1998 PA 550.

HB 4732 (Rep. Marino)

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending section 2567 (MCL 600.2567), as amended by 2016 PA 224.

Representative Cherry, testified in support of HB 4729, HB 4730, HB 4731 and HB 4732.

Representative Calley, testified in support of HB 4729, HB 4730, HB 4731 and HB 4732.

Representative Manoogian, testified in support of HB 4729, HB 4730, HB 4731 and HB 4732.

Luke Bell, representing Zillow, testified in support of HB 4729, HB 4730, HB 4731 and HB 4732.

Stu Sanders and Branden Denby, representing the Michigan Association of Registers of Deeds, testified in opposition to HB 4729, HB 4730, HB 4731 and HB 4732.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to HB 4731, but did not wish to speak:

Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association.

Chris Hackbarth, representing the Michigan Municipal League.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4729, HB 4730, HB 4731 and HB 4732, but did not wish to speak:

Alex Houseman, representing the Michigan Realtors Association.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to HB 4729, HB 4730, HB 4731 and HB 4732, but did not wish to speak:

Deena Bosworth, representing the Michigan Association of Counties.

Lora Frehling, Berrien County Register of Deeds.

Andy Doerr, representing the Michigan Association of County Treasurers.

Catherine McClary, Washtenaw County Treasurer.

Amanda Price, Ottawa County Treasurer.

Lauri Klont, representing Eaton County.

Patty Niepath, representing Antrim County.

Katie Albosta Kelly, representing Saginaw County.

Michelle Stevenson, Clerk and Register of Deeds of Roscommon County.

Amy Bissell, representing Benzie County.

Steve Liedel, representing the Michigan Association of County Treasurers.

Dave Coulter, Oakland County Executive.

Representative Cambensy moved to excuse Representative Whitsett from the meeting. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, Representative Cherry moved to adjourn the Committee. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:27 AM.

Representative Steve Marino, Chair

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